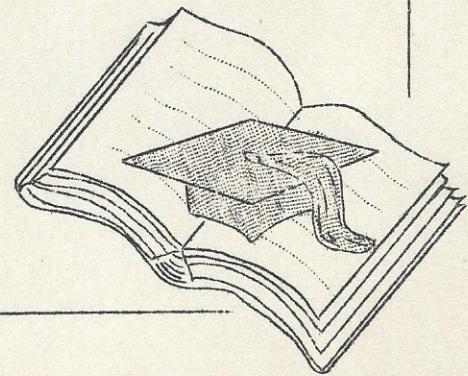
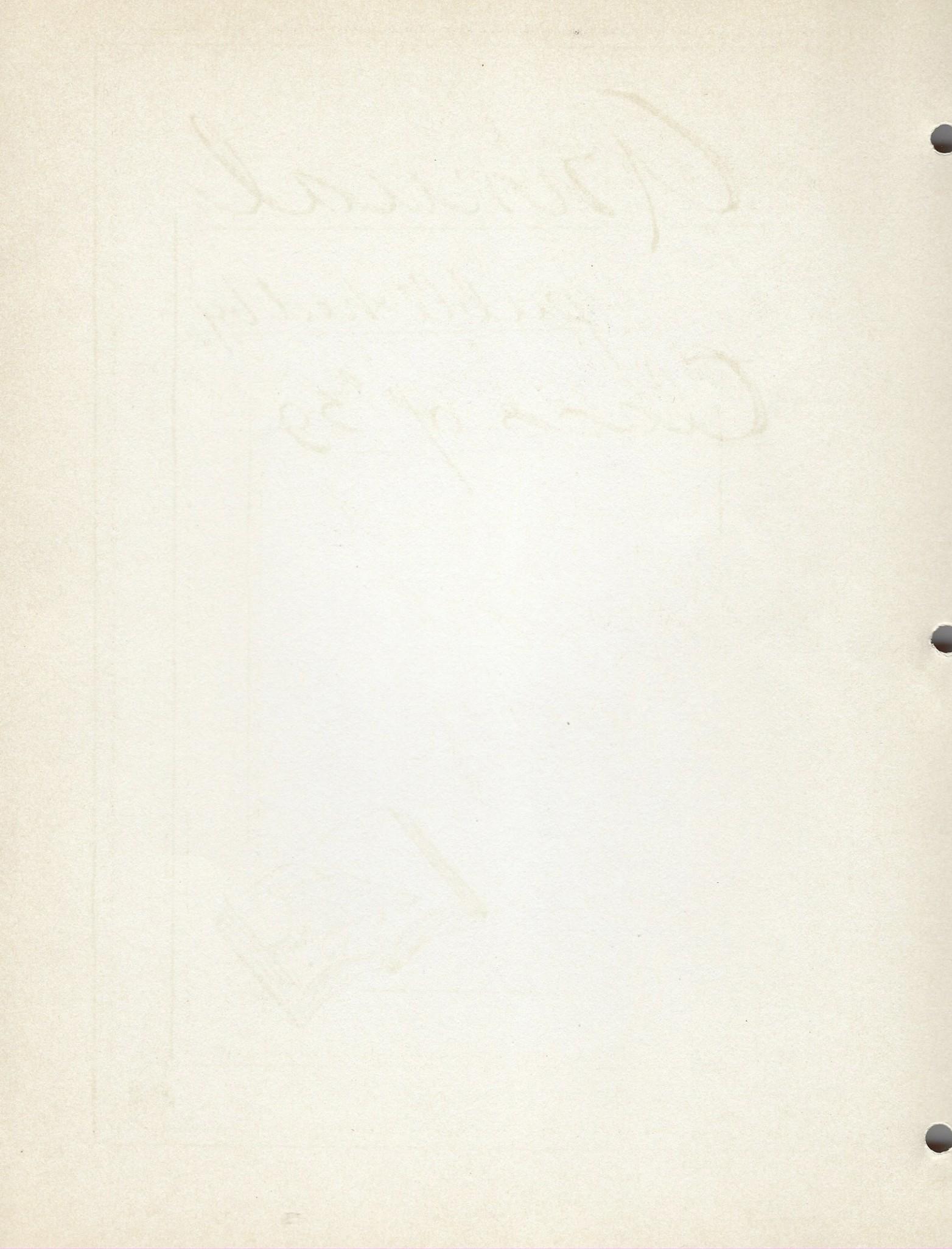


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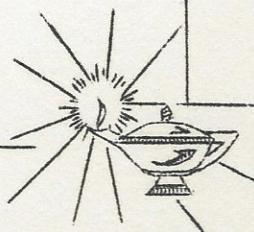


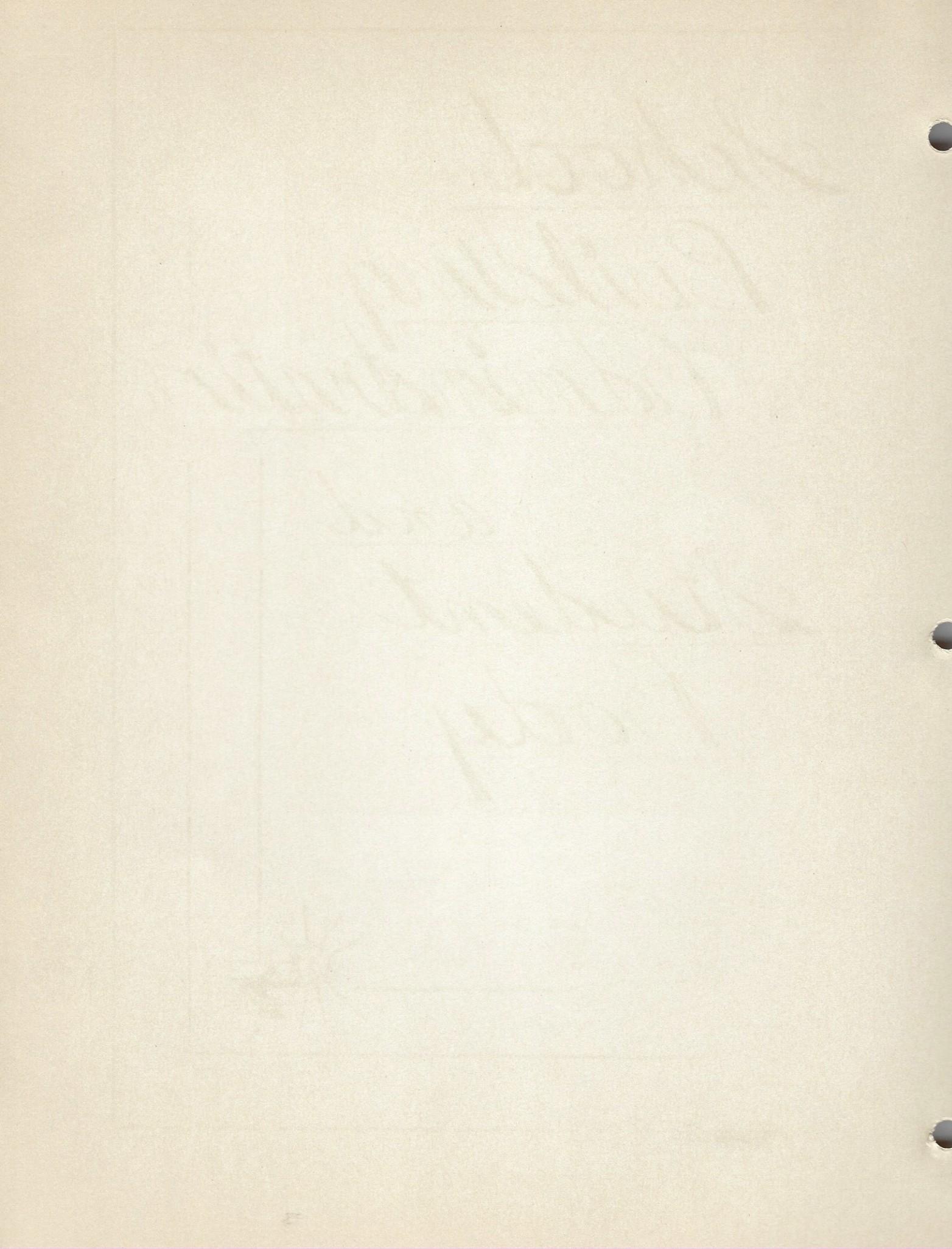
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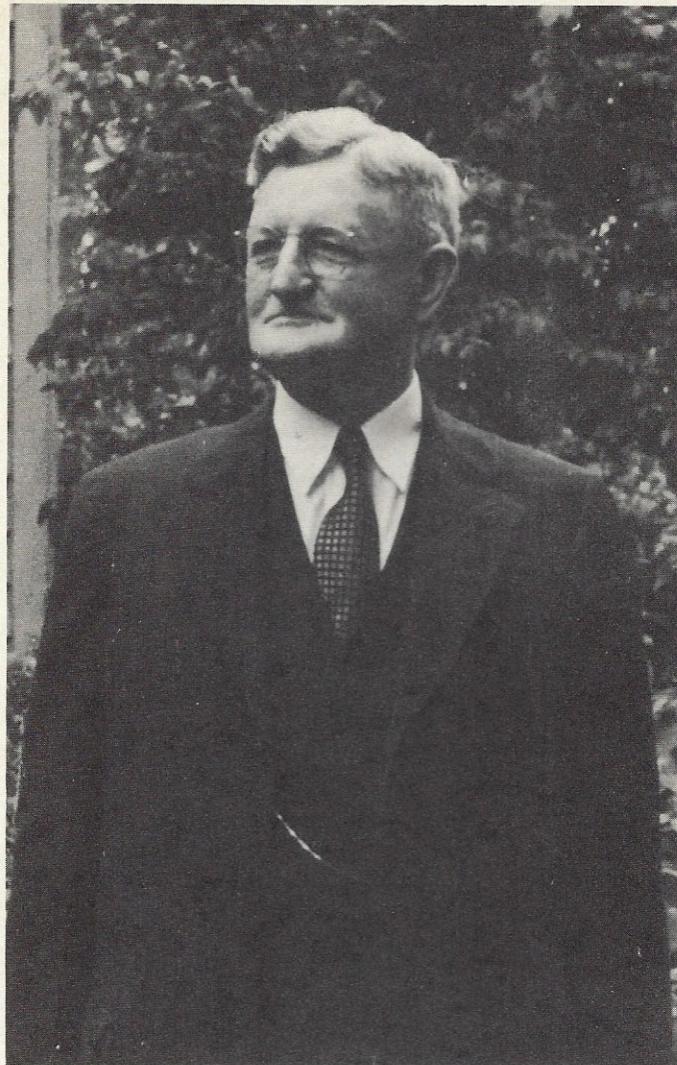


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and
Student
Body







As a token of our appreciation for the interest and encouragement shown toward us, we, the seniors of '39, do hereby dedicate this annual to the President of the Board, Mr. David Dewhirst, who has loyally aided us throughout our four years.

Faculty



Miss Mildred Schulze



Mr. W. Dayton Keyes



Miss Helen Sutton



Miss Maxine Beutke



Mr. Paul Swan



Miss Lois Bottenfield



Mr. Forrest England



Miss Edna Ulmer



Mr. Melvin Nicol

MCHS Building



Mr. "Red" Smith



Mr. O. E. Myrvold



Miss Mildred Faber, Sec.

Seniors'



Helen Atkins--"Muley"
"She seems so near and
yet so far."



Orpha Biven--"Orphie"
"Small of stature, de-
cisive of mind,
As nice a little girl
as you'll ever find."



Dorothy Bowden--"Dotty"
"Forward and frolic glee
was there
The will to do, the soul
to dare."



Betty Breighner--"Betsy"
"To know her is an in-
spiration,
To count her as a friend
is a real blessing."



Helene Cavendar--"Whistle"
"All must be earnest in
a world like this."



Naomi Cooper--"Hope"
"My words fly up, my
thoughts remain below."



Alberta Cotten--"Bertie"
"I like a guy who treats
me well and frequently."



Clara Dobbs--"Peaches"
"Such ways, such arts,
such looks hadst thou."

James Eakle--"Jim"
"He leaves an empty tent
in the athletic camp."

Seniors



Norma Friis--"Cookie"
"Teachers and classes are
my only objection to an
education."

Peter Haliski--"Pete"
"Life is a jest and all
things show it,
I thought so once and
now I know it."

Ruth Leach--"Rufus"
"Whose high endeavors are
an inward light,
That makes the path before
her always bright."

Ralph Mashburn--"Pop"
"Care once killed a cat.
I ain't bothered."

Harriett Morgan--"Chubby"
"My idea of an agreeable
person is one who agrees
with me."

Nigel Osborne--"Niggel"
"Maiden with the meek,
brown eyes."

Aileen Pennypacker--"Snook"
"I can't be bothered with
serious thoughts."

Raymond Pulliam--"Sam"
"Men of few words are
the best."

Bonnie Reiter--"Twerp"
"I live and love and
laugh and sing."

Seniors



Evelyn Reynolds--"Count'ry"
"Loyal and true and kind,
Yet she always frankly speaks
her mind."



Virginia Shaw--"Ginny"
"A giggle, a rush
A shriek and a blush."



Wayne Thrift--"Pete"
"A boy you like to know,
but have to know to like."



Nelson Smith, Jr.--"Smitty"
"The fairer sex attracts
me not."



Mary Wilkey--"Katie"
"Honesty needs no disguise
nor ornament."



Betty Vantries--"Bett"
"The art of living is fitting
into your place,
So your elbows won't scratch
the crowd."



Velma Meryman--"Robert"
"Pray heaven, I may get
my Bob."



CLASS OF '39

Class Officers:

President-----Harriett Morgan
Vice President-----Orpha Biven
Secretary-----Ruth Leach
Treasurer-----Virginia Shaw

Class Advisor-----Miss Maxine Beutke

Class Colors-----Red & White

Class Motto-----"Character is the only true diploma."

Class Flower-----Carnation

Among a small class of seniors there are usually many honors presented to deserving individuals. The class of '39 was no exception. The first of these was given to Nelson Smith, our Valedictorian followed by our Salutatorian, Evelyn Reynolds. Throughout the four years, both of these students kept in the lead by their constant hard work and ability. These students were closely followed by several of their classmates. Those with an average above 90 for the entire four years were:

Nelson Smith-----	95.18
Evelyn Reynolds-----	94.15
Ruth Leach-----	93.31
Dorothy Bowden-----	92.55
Mary Wilkey-----	92.00

Nigel Osborn-----	91.78
Betty Breighner-----	91.75
Orpha Biven-----	91.21
Helen Atkins-----	90.06



SENIOR CLASS MEMBERS

Helen Atkins

G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Glee Club 1,2,3,4; Hi-Tri 1,2,3,4; Cantata 2; B & G 2,4; Class president 2; "Winning Schemers" 3; Operetta 1,2; "Beyond Reason" 4.

Orpha Bivens

Hi-Tri 1,2,3,4; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Operetta 2; B & G 2,3,4; Orchestra 2,3,4; "Beyond Reason" 4; Librarian 4; Vice president 4; Commercial team 3,4.

Dorothy Bowden

G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Vice president G.A.A. 4; Glee Club 1,2,3,4; County chorus 4; Operetta 1,2; Hi-Tri 1,2,3,4; Vice president 4; Cantata 2,3; B & G 2,3,4; Student Council 2,3,4; Vice president 3; Office girl 2; "Winning Schemers" 3; Cheer leader 4; Editor-In-Chief, Blue & Gold 4; Ass't Editor, 3.

Betty Breighner

G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Glee Club 1,2,3,4; County Chorus 4; Hi-Tri 1,2,3,4; President, Hi-Tri 4; Operetta 1,2; B & G 2,3,4; "Winning Schemers" 3; Vice president, 3; One act play 3; "Beyond Reason" 4;

Helene Cavender

Hi-Tri 1,2,3,4; G.A.A. 2,3,4; Operetta 2;

Naomi Cooper

G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Hi-Tri 1,2,3,4; Cheer leader 4; Librarian 4; "Beyond Reason" 4.

Alberta Cotton

Glee Club 1,2,3,4; Hi-Tri 1,2,3,4; B & G 1,2,3,4; Orchestra 2,3,4; Operetta 2; Cantata 2.

Clara Dobbs

Hi-Tri 1,2,3,4; G.A.A. 2; B & G 3,4.

James Eakle

Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3; Operetta 1; Football 2,3,4; Orchestra 1,2; Cantata 2; Hi-Y 2,3,4; Student Council 2,3,4; President 4; B & G 3,4; "Winning Schemers" 3; "Beyond Reason" 4; One act play 3; Hi-Y president 4.

Norma Friis

Hi-Tri 1,2,3,4; G.A.A. 2,3; Orchestra 2,3,4; Operetta 2; 3,4; Commercial team 3,4.



SENIOR CLASS MEMBERS

Ruth Leach

G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Glee Club 1,2,3,4; Operetta 2; Hi-Tri 1,2,3,4; Student Council 1; Cantata 2; B & G 4; Commercial team 4.

Ralph Mashburn

Football 2,3,4; Basketball 2,3,4; Track 2,3,4; Operetta 2; Hi-Y 2,3,4; Radio Club 1,2,3,4; Pop Committee 3,4; "Beyond Reason" 4; Commercial team 4; Class Scargant-at-arms, 1.

Harriett Morgan

G.A.A. 1,2,3; Glee Club 1,2,3,4; Operetta 1,2; Hi-Tri 1,2,3,4; Camera Club 1; Pop Committee 1; Cantata 2; B & G 2,3,4; Cheer leader 3,4; Office girl 3; Class president 3,4.

Nigel Osborn

Operetta 1,2; Class Secretary 1; Orchestra 2,3,4; Cantata 2,3; Hi-Tri 2,3,4; Glee Club 3,4; Commercial team 4.

Ailceen Pennypacker

Glee Club 1,2,3,4; Operetta 1,2; Hi-Tri 1,2,3,4; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; B & G 2,4; Librarian 4; Cantata 2,4.

Raymond Pulliam

Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; Glee Club 1; Radio Club 1,2,3,4; Hi-Y 1,2,3,4; Hi-Y Treasurer 1; Football 2,3,4; Operetta 2; B & G 1,2,3,4; "Beyond Reason" 4; "Winning Schomers" 3.

Bonnie Jean Reiter

G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Glee Club 1,2,3,4; Hi-Tri 1,2,3,4; Camera Club 1; Operetta 1,2; Cantata 2,3; B & G 2,3,4; Pop committee 2; "Winning Schomers" 3; "Beyond Reason" 4; County Chorus 3,4; Class Secretary 3.

Evelyn Reynolds

Hi-Tri 1,2,3,4; G.A.A. 2,3,4; Operetta 2; Cantata 2,3,4; Pop committee 2,3,4; Glee Club 2,3,4; "Winning Schomers" 3; B & G 3,4; "Beyond Reason" 4; Commercial team 3,4.

Nelson Smith

Student Council 1; Office boy 1,3; Radio Club 1,2,3,4; Hi-Y 1,2,3,4; Camera Club 1; B & G 2,3,4; Class Treasurer 2; Orchestra 3; Football Mgr. 4; Basketball Mgr. 4.



Wayne Thrift

Football 1,2,3,4; Hi-Y 1,2,3,4; Basketball 2,3,4; "Wining Schemers" 3; "Beyond Reason" 4.

Betty Vantries

G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Hi-Tri 1,2,3,4; Operetta 2; Commercial team 4; B & G 3,4; Librarian 4.

Mary Wilkey

Hi-Tri 2,3,4.

Virginia Shaw

Hi-Tri 2,4; Class Treasurer 3,4; Commercial team 3,4; B & G 4.

Peter Haliski

Operetta 2; Cantata 2; Hi-Y 2,3,4; Radio Club 2,3,4; F.F.A. 2,3,4; Vice president 2; Basketball 3,4; Football 4; "Beyond Reason" 4.

Velma Merryman

Hi-Tri 1,2,3,4,5; Librarian 2,4,5; G.A.A. 3; Operetta 3; B & G 3; Home Economic Club 1.

CLASS SONGS

"Sailing, Sailing"

Sailing, sailing,
To the island of success
Though many a stormy wind shall blow
We'll strive to do our best

Sailing, sailing
Out to the future seas
Character is the ship we sail
And shipmates all are we

Words written by:
Bonnie J. Reiter

"Farewell to Thee"

Farewell to Thee
Farewell to Thee
Our golden days are coming to an end
And we shall hope for brighter days to come
When friends shall meet again



CLASS OF 39'

Dear friends! It's not goodbye, but just a hearty hello
It's not as we thought those four years ago
When we first entered our grand old high
The only cloud was when we would say goodbye.

But now we know that we cannot always spend
Years in our dear old high with never an end.
Dear parent, we will have time to spend with you at last,
Because our high school days will soon be in the past.

In our little old world we have dwelt so long
With a smile on our lips, in our heart a song.
But at last we have come to the end of four years
Long? Oh no! Not as I look through the tears.

My classmates agree and add with a sigh,
Yes, these four years passed too swiftly by.
Too suddenly all must put our books away
The sun has risen and set on our school day.

Oh, Lower classmates, it is with deep regret
We are leaving you now but not to forget.
The support you gave us for you never hid
Your loyalty to M.C.H.S. It shone in all you did.

Dear teachers, I hope you will miss us, too
We have but the fondest of memories for you.
All through our life through strife and care
We'll remember your words you taught us here.

Now we are saying hello to you out there
For in a few short days with deep despair
We'll leave our old high, and now we'll join
Your more serious, but happy throng.

By

Aileen Pennypacker



ANNUAL STAFF

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Helen Atkins
Pete Thrift
Evelyn Reynolds
Aileen
Pennypacker
Orpha Bivens
Virginia Shaw
Norma Friis
Helen Atkins
Evelyn Reynolds
Betty Vantrees
Aileen P.
Bonnie Reitsr
Alberta Cotton

Art Editor-----
Ass't Art Editor-----



FRESHMAN

On Sept. 5 we welcomed to our ranks 48 freshmen and at the end of the year we still had 48. As their leader they elected:

President--Paul Osborn

Vice-President--Richard Irvin

Secretary--Netha Perry

Treasurer--Bob Reed

Student Council Members--Lyle Agee

Shirley Karr

Paul Osborn

Norma Westerman

Pep Committee Members--Margaret Beasley

Sarah Streich

Bob Reed

Russel Atkins

Their class advisors are Mr. England and Miss Bottenfield

SOPHMORES

There are 31 members in the Sophomore class this year. They elected the following officers:

President--Donald Hartsock

Vice-President--Nina Miller

Secretary--Herman Gardner

Treasurer--Leland Montgomery

Student Council Members--James Stoutenborough

Roberta Grady

Pep Committee Members--Wanda Reed

Bruce Mashburn

Their class advisor is Mr. Swan



STUDENT COUNCIL

The general purpose of the Student Council is to act as the representative of the student body in school government.

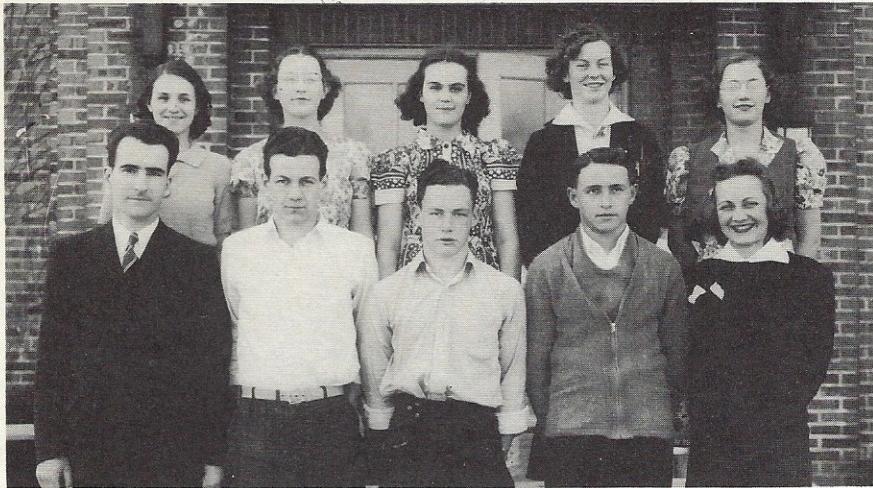
The Student Council officers and members for this year were:
President--James Eakle
Vice President--Eileen Westerman
Secretary-Treasurer--James Stoutenborough
Dorothy Bowden
Marion Vaughn
Roberta Grady
Shirley Karr
Norma Westerman
Paul Osborn
Lyle Agee

JUNIORS

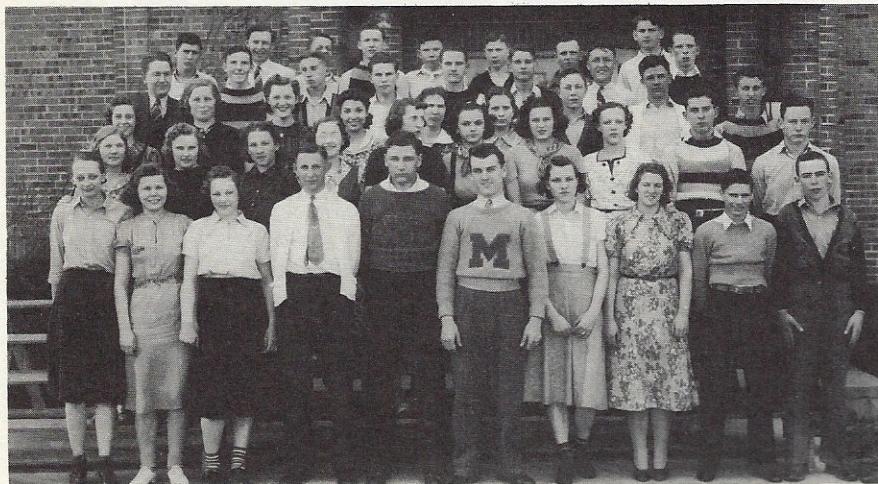
The Junior Class has the largest class in school. There are forty-nine in the group. They chose the following as their leaders:

President--Charles Lentz
Vice President--Bob Rainey
Secretary--Bill Schultz
Treasurer--Verna Himes, Elizabeth Montgomery
Student Council Members--Marion Vaughn
Eileen Westerman
Pep Committee Members--Betty Leinhart
DeNial Vaughn

Student Council



Juniors



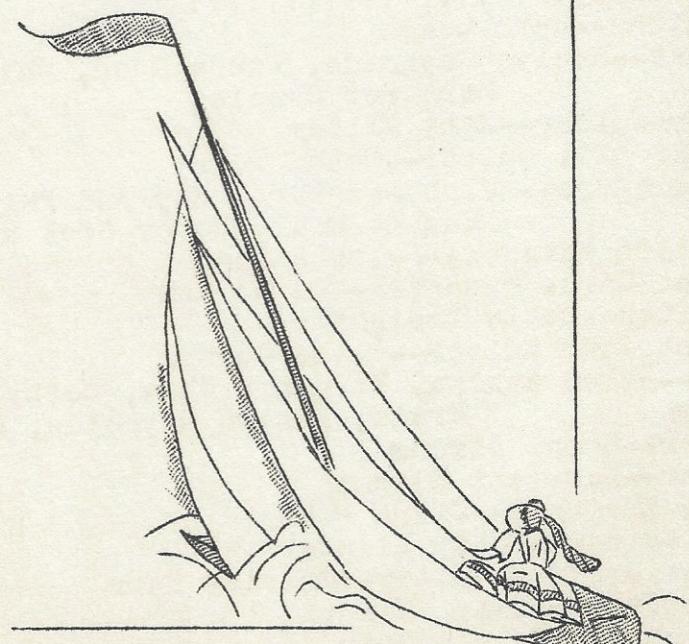
'Sophomores'



'Freshmen'



Activities



Reiter



BLUE AND GOLD

The general purpose of the Blue and Gold is to acquaint the people of the community, especially the parents, with the activities of school life. During the year seven copies are issued. They cover are issued. They cover both servousness and fun in school life and advertise for the local merchants as well as outsiders. Pictures in the Blue And Gold are taken mostly by our chief photographer, Nelson Smith, Jr. The pictures taken were candid shots of teachers and pupils in action.

By advertisement, subscription, and outside money taken in for each issue, the Blue and Gold has been able to carry on its work.

Staff Members:

Editor in Chief--Dorothy Bowden
Assistant Editor--Evelyn Bricker
Business Managers--John L. Hoffman
and Marion Vaughn
Little Audrey--????????????????
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Margaret Beasley
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Friis, Evelyn Reynolds, Aileen Pehny packer
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Assistant Art Editor--Alberta Cotton

Blue & Gold Staff



L.F.A.



Hi-Tri



Hi-Y





Hi-Tri

In the year of '33 a Hi-Tri chapter was organized in this school with Miss Halford as advisor and Miss Bell assistant advisor. Two years later Miss Johnson was the advisor. For the past year Miss Bottenfield has been advisor with Miss Beutke as assistant advisor.

The purposes of Hi-Tri are:

To help each girl attain for herself a character that is strong, unselfish, and true.

To help each girl become better acquainted.

To promote a spirit of sincere friendship.

To promote courtesy among students.

To help each girl win her way to unselfish success.

The key words are: character, friendship, courtesy, pleasure and success. The watch word is Loyalty. The motto is, "We build the ladder by which we rise." The emblem is a ladder with five rounds. Any girl attending a high school in which there is an organized Hi-Tri League can be a member.

Officers for the year are:

President--Betty Breighner

Vice President--Dorothy Bowden

Secretary--Naomi Cooper

Treasurer--Bonnie Reiter

Points are given for cooperation work of committees, special work, and topics for discussion.

The Hi-Tri banquet was held April 21. There was a speaker from Champaign.



Miracle

ORCHESTRA

The orchestra was greatly helped the latter part of the year by the addition of a few new students. The all practiced hard so that they could play a few pieces just as a real orchestra should.

Orchestra members are as follows:

First violin: Norma Friis, Ruth Sutton, Nigel Osborn
Second violin: Phyllis Thomas
First Cornet: James Stoutenborough
Second Cornet: Evelyn Bricker, Orpha Siven
Saxaphone: John L. Huffman, Billy Schultz, Alberta Cotton
Netha Perry
Clarinet: Edwin Daggett
Chelo: Herman Gardner
Piano: Rosalie Leach
Directed by Mr. Hess

PEP COMMITTEE

The pep committee is composed of the cheerleaders, and members elected from each home room. The activities of this organization are: to boost school spirit, to arrange pep meetings, to take charge of Homecoming, to help advertise all games, and to help with the ticket sales.

This year the committee held a drive on tickets which were sold at half the usual price. Over ninety percent of the school bought tickets.

They planned the Homecoming which was a great success. They started a cheering section this year but this wasn't so successful. They hope next year to get a great deal more done.

Those on the pep committee are:

Robert Reed	Wanda Reed
Russell Atkins	DeNial Vaughn
Sarah Streick	Betty Lienhart
Margaret Beasley	Ralph Mashburn
Bruce Mashburn	Evelyn Reynolds

Cheerleaders are:

Naomi Cooper	Bonnie Jean Reiter
Harriett Morgan	Dorothy Bowden

Coach--Mr. Forrest England

Pep Committee Advisors:

Mr. W. D. Keyes
Miss Schulze

• Orchestra •



• Pep Committee •



•Radio Club•



•Commercial Team•





RADIO CLUB

The Radio Club had its first meeting on January 10. The officers for the following year were elected as follows:

Pres. Sam Pulliam
Vice Pres. James Stoutenbourough
Treasurer. Ralph Mashburn
Sargent of Arms. John Crocker
Secretary. Nelson Smith

The new members who were admitted to the club were, Billy Stoutenbourough, Calvin Correll, Russell Atkins, and Charles Leach.

The club has been having weekly business meetings every Friday eighth hour, and have been having night meetings every Thursday night for work on their personal hobbies.

Mr. Keyes is the club advisor.

COMMERCIAL TEAMS

The Commercial Teams and Miss Ulmer have been having a hard time this year getting any place. Miss Ulmer because of illness didn't get to go with the teams to Latham.

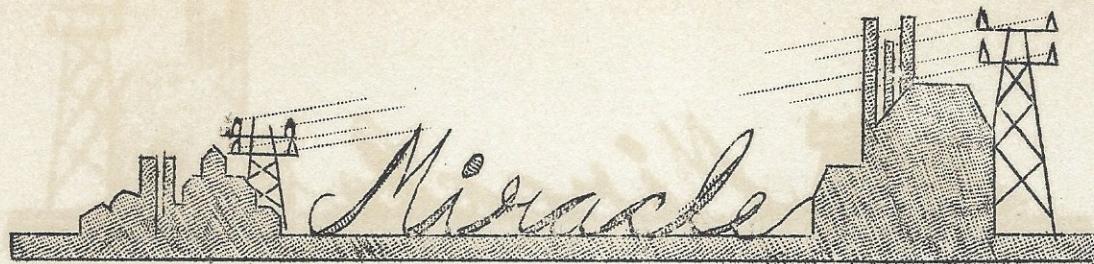
The teams went to Warrensburg March 3 to bring back a few honors. They won second place as a school. The advanced typing teams won first Evelyn Reynold won first as an individual typist and Virginia Shaw won second. The beginning typing team won second. Evelyn Bricker won third as individual typist. The shorthand team won second. Elizabeth Montgomery won second place as an individual.

The teams went to Latham on March 15, they again brought home a few honors. The advanced typing class won first. Virginia Shaw won first as an individual typist and Norma Friis won third. The beginning typing team won second place as a team.

The commercial teams went to Decatur on April 15. The advanced typing team brought home the honors all by them selves. The team won second place. Virginia Shaw won first and Norma Friis won second.

The Sectional contest will be held May 5th or 6th.

The State contest will be held at the University of Illinois May 12th and 13th.



GLEE CLUB

Officers:

President--Ruth Sutton
Librarian--Ruth Leach
Secretary--Helen Atkins

The work of the glee club has consisted mainly in the preparation for the Christmas program December 19, the play, "A Christmas Rose", and for the county chorus in which 12 selected girls sang.

It is hoped that the glee club will work as a more active unit in the next year.

Girls in the county chorus:

Ruth Leach
Evelyn Reynolds
Bonnie Reiter
Ruth Sutton
Jean Thompson
Betty Breighner
Virginia Johnson
Dorothy Bowden
Jane Lyons
Bernadine Owens
Betty Lienhart
Margaret Beasley



F.F.A.

This year the F.F.A. has entered in many corn and grain shows. In October there was a corn and small grain show.

In February they held their annual father-son banquet..

They won the county exhibit at the Farmer's Institute. They also participated in grain, poultry, Fat Stock, and Dairy judging contests.

A film strip was made including the various projects of the boys.

Several of the school movies were sponsored by the F.F.A. boys.

The officers for the past year were:

President----Robert Rainey
Vice President ---Charles McGuire
Secretary----Peter Haliski
Treasurer----James Stoutenborough

LIBRARIANS

During the year Sept. 1938-June 1939 80 new books were added to the library these included 45 fiction books.

A recent edition of the Standard Catalogue and the Reader's Guide was placed on the shelves.

Mr. Persinger donated a set of encyclopedias for our use.

Our periodical list includes 26 of the outstanding current magazines.

An effort was made to organize the back magazines so they would be available for reference work.

Forty-six old books were rebound to increase their usefulness.

A new file, made by Mr. Smith, was placed in the library in order that a more accurate check could be kept on those books which were charged out.

Those students who served as librarians during the year were:

Jean Thompson
Freda Burner
Margaret Beasley
Aileen Pennypacker
Bernadine Owens

Wanda Reed
Orpha Biven
Nina Miller
Mae Jordan

Velma Meryman
Bill Elliott
Evelyn Bricker
Dorothy Braden
Betty Vantries



HI-Y

The purpose of the Hi-Y club is to create, maintain, and extend throughout the school and community, the high standards of Christian character.

The Hi-Y activities in the high school are conducted once a week. The business meetings are held on Wednesday 8th hour, and the recreation meetings on Monday night.

Questions which are of vital importance to the high school and to the individual member himself are discussed at these meetings. These discussion groups are usually led by members of the club. Various speakers were obtained for these meetings. Mr. Russell, Chris Garriot, Mr. Lewis, Mr. Swan, and Mr. England spoke at several of the meetings.

Topics for the meetings were:

- World Affairs
- Sportsmanship
- Care of the school
- Conduct--our actions in society
- Personal hygiene
- School citizenship
- Athletic and scholarship awards
- Heredity vs environment
- Ethics, etiquette, etc
- Vocational guidance
- Personality adjustment
- Recreation
- Social hygiene
- Educational guidance

Our club had an important role in the organizing of the Hi-Y district. This district includes Clinton, Decatur, and Maroa. This club sent delegates to Camp Seymour to help plan a training camp for the Summer Session.

Recreation has been well attended this year and as a result several Hi-Y basketball games were scheduled.

A group of promising candidates were installed in the Hi-Y club at the school gymnasium on the evening of April 10.

Officers for the past year were:

President---James Eakle

Vice Presidents---Raymond Pulliam, Robert Rainey, Bill Schultz

Secretary---Marion Vaughn

Treasurer---Charles McGuire

Chaplain---James Stoutenborough

'Glee Club'



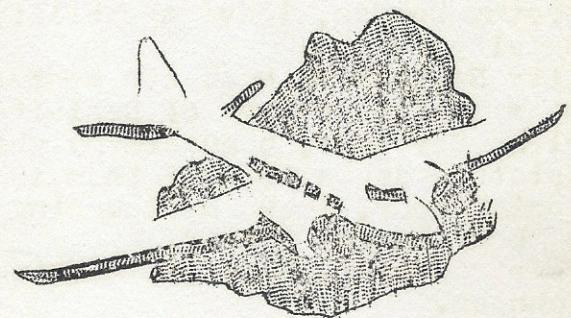
'Librarians'



Can-Did



Miscellaneous



Bowen
Reynolds



CLASS WILL AND TESTAMENT

In the name of common sense: We, the Class of one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine, of Maroa High School, of the City of Maroa, of the county of Macon, and of the state of Illinois, being naturally, after our high school course, of unsound mind and grouchy disposition and totally incapable of taking care of our large fortune, do hereby declare this to be our last will and testament, to wit:

First, after having passed so many tests, examinations, quizzes, and teachers, we are now going to pass from school entirely. We, therefore, bequeath to the school our heart-felt sympathy for its grief over the terrific loss it will suffer by our departure.

Second, to the faculty we bequeath our deepest sympathy for the trials and tribulations which they have so bravely endured during our four years in M. C. H. S.

Third: To the oncoming senior class we bequeath our ability to cause noise and confusion throughout their last year since they didn't seem able to do it before.

We, the Senior Class of '39, do hereby bequeath our numerous possessions thus:

I, Helen Atkins, bequeath my one precious dimple to Mae Jordan.

I, Orpha Biven, bequeath my height to Jeanette Wendling.

I, Dorothy Bowden, leave my ability to play basket ball to Margaret Beasley.

I, Betty Breighner, bequeath my turned up nose to Betty Leinhart so that she may attract more of DeNial's attention.

I, Helene Cavender, bequeath my whistling ability to the McIlvenna sisters so as to help them in their radio career.

I, Naomi Cooper, leave my laughing eyes to my sister Dorothy so they may be kept in the family.

I, Alberta Cotton, bequeath my winning ways with the boys to Virginia Johnson.

I, Clara Dobbs, bequeath my red hair to my sister Hazel.

I, James Eakle, bequeath my ability to get through class without studying to J. L. Hoffman because I think he studies too hard.

I, Norma Friis, will my typing ability to Martha Foulke so that she may get on the typing team next year.

I, Peter Haliski, will my "baby blue" eyes to Charles Lentz to help him in catching a faithful girl friend.

I, Ruth Leach, bequeath my scholastic standing to Glenn Summers since I believe he will be Valedictorian of his class.

I, Ralph Mashburn, bequeath my place on the bleachers to my brother Bruce.

I, Harriett Morgan, bequeath that "to have and to hold" ability with same to Sarah Streich so that she may keep Johnny.



I, Nigel Osborn, will my ability to play the violin to Calvin Correll so that he may be Mr. Hess's star player next year.

I, Aileen Pennsypacker, bequeath my dancing ability to Frances Agce.

I, Sam Pulliam, bequeath my track ability to Charles Leach so that he may be star track man next year.

I, Bonnie J. Reiter, will my ability to talk so much and say so little to Rosalie Perry.

I, Evelyn Reynolds, will my winning smile to Alice Anderson.

I, Virginia Shaw, bequeath my "Ceclia" giggle to anyone that wants it and I hope there is enough to go around.

I, Velma Moryman, leave my stature to Freda Burner.

I, Nelson Smith, Jr., bequeath my camera and ability to get pictures without anyone knowing it to Rollo Means Crouch.

I, Wayne Thrift, bequeath my walk, such as it is, to Frankie Crucher so that he may always get to school on time.

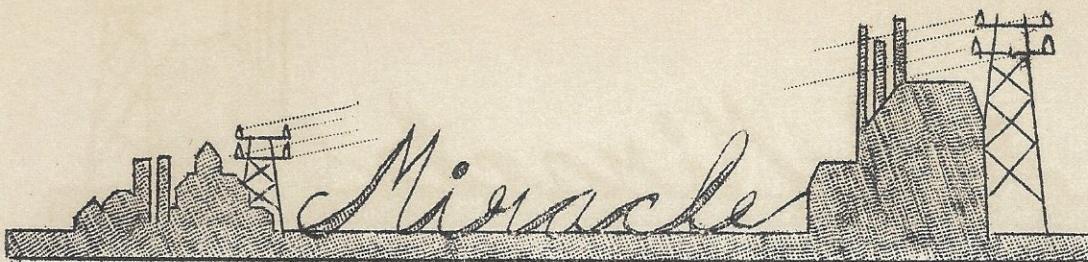
I, Betty Vantrics, bequeath my temper to Phyllis Thomas.

I, Mary Wilky, bequeath my ability to be quiet about my work to Rueberta Grady.

We hereby appoint Miss Maxine Beutke executor of this, our last will and testament.

In witness where-of we hereunto set our seal this 26th day of May in the year of our Lord A. D. one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine. Signed, sealed, delivered and published as our last will and testament.

(SEAL) CLASS OF 1939
Norma Friis,
Virginia Shaw
Ophra Biven
Ralph Mashburn
M. Beutke
W. D. Keyes



CLASS HISTORY OF '39

In September, 1935, 29 students of Maroa and its vicinity started to climb the Mountain of Learning, M. C. H. S. The Foothills they were to cross, their Freshmen year, were naturally started in a green way. They weren't used to mountain climbing but they did their best. Their guide or better known as their advisor was Miss Hallford. The ropes tied around their waists were very strong and were named for their teachers, Miss Bell, Miss Flugum, Miss Garrison, Mr. Dubois, Mr. Boll, Mr. Norton and Mr. Keyes. Their first Leader or President for the Foothill journey was James Eakle, Assistant Leader or Vice President was Bonnie Jean Reiter, Journey Recorder or Secretary was Nigel Osborn, Sponsorer or Treasurer was Raymond Pulliam and Outpost Guard or Sargent-at-Arms was Coulter Larson. The two representatives to attend the Mountain Climbing Convention or Student Council were Nelson Smith and Ruth Leach. The first lap of their journey was started off in a good way by the Freshmen Weiner Roast held on the Parker Peak or Louise Ann Parker's home. In the middle of their journey across the Foothills one of the ropes broke but was soon fixed by a new one. Miss Garrison decided to leave them but Miss Johnson liked the novelty of mountain climbing. In March everyone enjoyed themselves at a Kid Party. In May they decided to take time off for a picnic at St. Moritz or Weldon Springs but a heavy rain caused them to forget it and be satisfied to enjoy it at their night's resting place. When their first lap was nearly over they found they had reached the end of the Foothills with three added to their number. These were Evelyn Reynolds, Virginia Shaw and Peter Haliski.

After a short rest they decided to travel on upward and see if they could be as successful with their second lap as they had been with their first. Their guide, still Miss Hallford, advised them as to the best trail to take. Their Leader for the trip across the Plateau or Sophmore year was Helen Atkins, Assistant Leader--Peter Haliski, Journey Recorder--Harriett Morgan, Sponsoror--Nelson Smith and Outpost Guard--Ralph Nashburn. Three new ropes were needed. So they substituted Miss Grabb, Miss Zelle and Mr. Hensley for Miss Boll, Mr. Dubois and Mr. Norton. Their Mountain Climber Convention's representatives were Jaes Eakle, and Dorothy Bowden. Their number was lessened to 25 because of the ravines and snow-slides. During this lap a skating party was held at the Coronado at Clinton, which is now the "Moon Glow." At the end of this part of their journey everyone agreed that it had been a very successful year. Even their guide agreed for she had taken time off at Christmas to get married.

At the beginning of their third lap their number was somewhat increased and decreased also. Allan Patterson and Betty



Breighner decided mountain climbing was fun after all. Botty had been to Clinton High during her Sophomore year and Allan came to them from Decatur. They had a new advisor this year, Miss Ulmer, and of course, she was good at advising too. Their Leader for the third lap through the Treeline or Junior year was Harriett Morgan, Assistant Leader--Betty Breighner, Journey Recorder--Bonnie Jean Reiter, and Sponsorer--Virginia Shaw. Two new ropes were needed for Miss Hallford and Mr. Boll so Miss Ulmer and Mr. England were immediately put into use. Mr. Swan was also added. M. C. representatives for this year were Dorothy Bowdon and James Eakle. The class was very proud that Dorothy was elected Vice President of the Convention. Just a short time before starting on the third lap the class attended a Treasure Hunt at the home of Helen Atkins. On November 19 the class presented the play, "Winning Schomers," which turned out to be a "big hit." On May 14 the Juniors entertained the Seniors at the fashionable Decatur Club. Another important and exciting point in the Journey was receiving their Junior rings. At the end of the third lap each one was eager to finish his journey to the peak.

At the beginning of the fourth lap which was to take them through the Snowline or their Senior year they again changed guides. Their new guide was Miss Beutke. She was confident that she could guide these 25 mountain climbers over the best trails without disaster. Again the ropes were changed. New ones, Miss Sutton, Miss Schulze, Miss Boutke, Miss Bottenfield, and Mr. Nicol, were substituted for Miss Grabb, Miss Zello, Miss Flugum, Miss Johnson, and Mr. Hensley. Their Leader was again Harriett Morgan, Assistant Leader--Orpha Bivens, Journey Recorder--Ruth Leach, and Sponsorer--Virginia Shaw. Their M.C. representatives were again Dorothy Bowdon and James Eakle. Good fortune was again with them when James Eakle was elected President of the convention. In November they enjoyed a Half and Half party. On March 10, the class presented the mystery play, "Beyond Reason." On May 6 the Seniors were guests of honor at the Junior-Senior Banquet at the Sunnyside Club. On May 31, 25 mountain climbers reach the peak of the Mountain of Learning by receiving their diplomas. Everyone was thrilled at the thought of being being "on top" but were regretful at leaving behind all those whom they had known and those who had helped them in their climbing.

At this time we want to pay recognition to five of these mountain climbers who started climbing down below the Foothills and climbed to the tallest peak together. For 12 years they have been traveling along together over the same path whether smooth or otherwise and finally have made the grade. They are Bonnie Jean Reiter, Dorothy Bowdon, Mary Wilkey, Aileen Pennypacker and Nelson Smith.

Written by---Helen Atkins
Witnessed by -Mary Wilkey, Nigol Osborn, Helene Cavendar



CLASS P PHECY

As I was sitting in the lobby of a magnificent hotel in New York, I picked up a paper with the intention of reading the sports page. My glance fell upon a name which seemed familiar. To my amazement the article read, "Atkins Beauty Salon," 819 Packard St. Before I had recuperated from that shock I saw that the editor of the New York Scandal sheet was Nigel Osborn. To my surprise I saw that Orpha Bivens was to be in New York the following week with her "Dare Devil Troupe" of acrobats. There was an article in the corner on the same page that attracted my attention also. It said that Public Enemy No. I had been captured by the best woman detective in New York, and who should it be but Evelyn Reynolds.

Perhaps I had better take time before I go any further to explain my purpose here in N. Y. I have received my degree to start my profession as a doctor, but I thought that before doing so it would be wise to take a pleasure trip, get around a little, and see what was going on in the world about me.

Suddenly I realized I had to eat my lunch and rush over to Madison Square Garden to hear a lecture on Social Hygiene by Velma Meryman. Immediately following that, Harriett Morgan was going to speak on "Happy Married Life". She is now an authority on that subject, having been married four times.

With all this indispensable advice still haunting my mind, I became conscious of the fact that I myself was not married, had never been married, and was never going to be married. Little did I know then that my mind was to be changed in the very near future. When I got into my plane and headed westward once more, I immediately caught myself falling in love with both the stewardess of the plane and the aviatrix. Soon I was engaged to the latter, Dorothy Bowden. The former, Aileen Pennypacker, would have nothing to do with me because she had not yet forgotten her recently lost lover, and still possessed many haunting memories of the unpleasant experience.

When we stopped in Boddy, Illinois to get married, it occurred to us that we were in a strange town and minus a witness and a minister. In our search for two such people, whom should we run across but some of our old schoolmates. Ralph Mashburn, known to his radio friends as Bing Crosby the second, was just the very witness we needed. Upon inquiring for a minister we were informed that Peter Haliski was the one usually called upon to marry strangers in the town. Well, stranger or acquaintance, Pete invited us to stay and enjoy the evening with him and his fiancee, Bonnie Jean Reiter. Bonnie, he said, had passed the examination two years ago, had been admitted to the bar--but not the bar you would imagine--and is now a prominent criminal lawyer in Boddy.

However, we declined the invitation as we had already made plans to attend the big opening of the Jitterbug Palace. Upon arriving the waiter showed us to our table, then the toastmaster presented our hostess and proprietor, Betty Breighner. After a hasty but appropriate welcome, Miss Breighner turned the evening's entertainment over to



Miracles

Mikado the Maestro, Nelson Smith, that magic roller of drums if there ever was one. As the orchestra swung out on "Hold Tight" the haunting voice of the torch singer sang out the heart rending notes. Who was she? The former Betty V'ntries of Maroa. Now devoted wife of Nelson Smith. To the next current number of the day Alberta Cotton danced the ballet. With the greatest of ease she danced, and such lightness of foot I never saw before. Honored guests of the evening were Naomi Cooper, famous actress of Hollywood, and the artist's model Clara Dobbs, who had recently returned for a short visit here from Paris.

The evening's delightful entertainment was broken up at an "Early hour by the arrival of the nationally known" gangster, Sam Pulliam, and his mob.

You may assume that Aileen, Dorothy, and I were on our way as quickly as possible. Oh, how I longed to be back in my little home in Montana. Dorothy tried to persuade me to go on to Hollywood for a honeymoon trip. She said we would stop in Nebraska and have a friendly visit with Mrs. Johnson, whom we knew as Virginia Shaw. I suppose Ginny still giggles the blues away, although she possibly has very few as her husband is a very thriving farmer. She always said farm life was the happy life. Dorothy said we'd also have a chance to see Ruth Leach, now a country school teacher in that part of Nebraska. Ruth would like to continue her education and secure a higher position (we all know it's possible) but she and Virginia are one and inseparable, so to speak.

I hated the thought of missing all this but I just couldn't stay away from the romantic plains any longer. I was even homesick to see my old cowboy pal, Pete Thrift, and to have a little chat with him--just for old times' sake. By the way I received a letter from him this morning and he tells me ther has been a day nursery established in the old home town. However, it was greater nres to learn that its sponsor was none other than Mary Wilkey. She's another of those old classmates of mine. I guess she has been living her usual quiet, dignified life ever since she graduated in 1939.

I hope you haven't been bored by my relating all these experiences to you, because there is yet another that I couldn't leave out. Upon arriving home at not too late an hour, I tuned in on the radio to a popular station, and soon fell asleep to the hill-billy music of the famous Helene Cavender and her band.



BACCALAUREATE PROGRAM

Processional-----	Orchestra
Hymn, "Higher Ground"-----	Congregation
Invocation-----	Rev. Mr. Wilson
"If With All Your Hearts"-----	Lester Scroggs
"The Reward of Diligence"-----	Rev. Mr. Sutton
Hymn, "Take My Life, and Let It Be"-----	Congregation
Benediction-----	Rev. Mr. Scroggs
Recessional-----	Orchestra

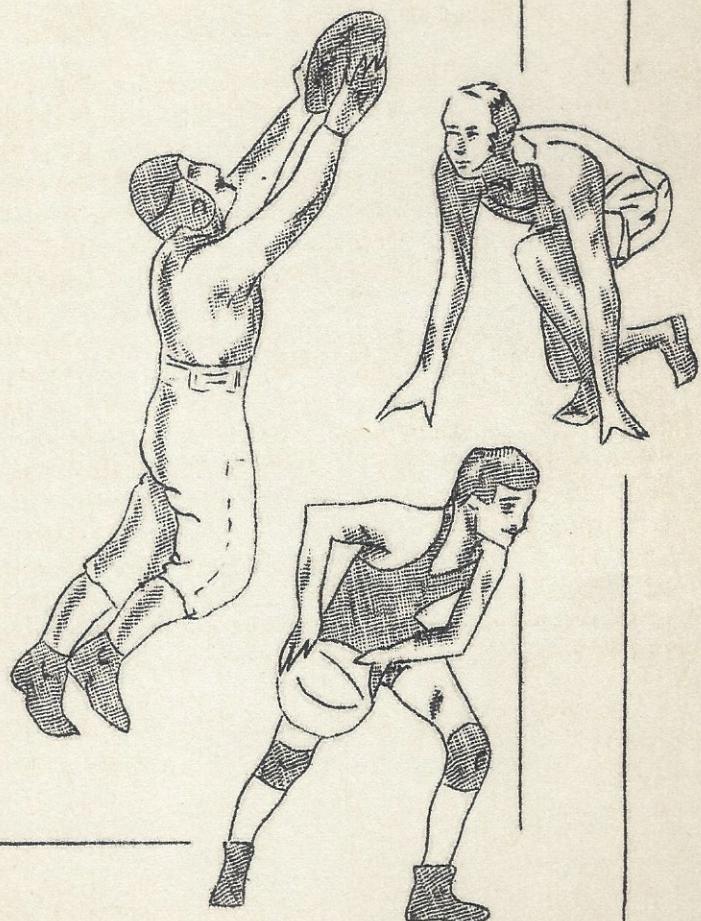
COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

Theme: What America Means to Us

Orchestra Selection-----	Columbia Overture	Zamecnik
Processional-----	Comrades March	Wellesley
Invocation-----		Rev. Mr. Scroggs
Introduction Of Speakers-----		Harriett Morgan
"Looking in on the American Home"-----		Virginia Shaw
"How Important Are Our Churches to Democracy?"-----		Evelyn Reynolds
Vocal Duet-----	Neapolitan Nights-Kerr-Zamecnik----- Evelyn Reynolds and Naomi Cooper	
"America Without Communities"-----		Helen Atkins
"Are Our Schools Democratic?"-----		Ralph Mashburn
"You and Your State"-----		Betty Breighner
"Our Obligations to America"-----		Dorothy Bowden
Vocal Solo-----	The Trumpeter--Richard Dix--James Eakle	
Presentation of Gavel-----		Harriett Morgan
Presentation of Awards-----		Mr. W. D. Keyes
Presentation of Class-----		Mr. W. D. Keyes
Awarding of Diplomas-----		Mr. D. M. Dewhirst
Benediction-----		Rev. Mr. Wilson
Recessional-----	The Trumpet Call-- Norman	

Orchestra directed by Mr. H. C. Hess

Athletics



R. Reiter

'Basket-Ball'



'Foot-Ball'



Track



D.A.G.





1938-39 Basketball Season

The 1938-39 edition of Coach England's hardwood performers gave Maroa High one of the most interesting and probably best basketball seasons the school has had for the past four or five years. The only veteran performers at the start of the year were Eakle, Pulliam and Thrift. These three boys encouraged by the hustle of Lentz, M. Vaughn, McGuire and Braden from the junior class took many games out of the fire and fought constantly to pile up a record of eleven wins in their first twelve starts. The remaining boys in the first ten were Hoffman, R. Mashburn and Rainey. They entered the county tournament at Macon where they defeated the strong Mt. Zion team. In the finals several of the boys who had been carrying the scoring load lost their fire and Warrensburg triumphed to give the Blue and Gold second place. From this game on the old speed, hustle, and shooting did not come as before. The younger members of the squad improved rapidly until they played the powerful Kenney team to a close game before losing in the Clinton Regional.

Coach is proud of the gang he expects to click next year. He counts on Lentz, McGuire, Rainey, Braden, Hoffman, Vaughn, L. Garren, Bennett, Irwin, Reed, Mashburn, Smart, Schultz and all the rest to put the power on for the next season.

The reserve squad was undefeated in all home games and won a total of 15, dropping 5. The first squad won 13, dropping 12 making a total of 28 won and 17 lost.



TRACK

The 1939 track season is now in progress. The thinclads are working in anticipation of another colorful schedule but already Jupiter Pluvius seems to be playing with rain and cold. The present squad is greatly riddled due to graduation and age. Gone are the prominent point winners--Eakle, Holman, Hicks, Johnson, Query, Cotton and Bennett. Eakle can't compete due to the 20 yr. age limit. Veterans who are counted upon for points are R. Mashburn, R. Pulliam, J. Stoutenborough, L. Montgomery, B. Mashburn, etc. Newcomers showing up well are L. Garren, R. Reed, W. Bennett, J. Zelhart, G. Andes, G. Owens, G. Dial, J. Hughes, and H. Gardner.

THE TRACK SCHEDULE

Mt. Zion	Here	April 6
Warrensburg	Here	April 11
Bethany	Here	April 14
LeRoy	There	April 18
Niantic and Warrensburg County	here	April 21
Cenois Conference District	Decatur	April 28
	Decatur	May 5
		May 12

G..A. A.

About forty girls belonged to the G. A. A. this year.

One of the highlights of the year was an intra-class basketball tournament. There were five teams: Two freshmen teams captained by Netha Perry and Tirrell Stoutenborough; the sophomores, led by Anna Mashburn; the juniors under the direction of Evelyn Bricker; and the seniors, paced by Dorothy Bowden.

G. A. A. emblems were given to the winning teams, the seniors: Those girls who played on the team were: Helen Atkins, Orpha Biven, Betty Breighner, Helene Cavender, Naomi Cooper, Aileen Pennypacker, Bonnie Jean Reiter, Evelyn Reynolds, and the captain, Dorothy Bowden.

FOOTBALL

It would seem only appropriate to call the 1938 football season of Maroa High "the season of handicap." It was not enough for Coach England to replace nine stalwarts who had been lost by graduation. One handicap followed another until the resources of the inexperienced squad were depleted. With the first day of practice Coach found two of the boys he was grooming for regular halfback positions on the shelf, Charles Lentz had been in a car accident that handicapped his true ability all year long. Russel Caldwell, speedy Sophomore, had stuck an ice pick in his wrist. All of this did not prevent the Blue and Gold from carrying the bottle to Blue Mound on foreign soil. Despite the fact that new forces in B. Schultz, C. McGuire, L. Montgomery, G. Andes, Crutcher, P. Haliski, R. Mashburn, were starting their first game along with R. Pulliam, J. Eakle, M. Vaughn, D. Vaughn and H. VanTrics of some past experience, Maroa scored early in the second quarter. On the extra point try which was carried over, Eakle was in motion and the point didn't count. In the last minute of the game, ~~Hoppe~~ threw a long pass to his left end who was downed on our seven yard line. Just before the gun sounded Blue Mound scored. They made their extra point. Maroa lost a heart breaker in which they ~~out~~ played their rivals.

The following Friday, last year's conference champs, Stonington came to town. The two teams battled stubbornly to a 6-6 dead lock. Maroa scored first in the opening period when Muley Vaughn broke loose behind some good blocking over his own right tackle for a forty yard gallop to a touchdown. Jim Eakle once again plunged for the extra point but lost it when he started before the ball was snapped. In the second period Stonington scored on a long pass to Peabody. Their try for extra point was blocked.

The greatest blow of the season came when Maroa's star tackle and aggressive leader, Harry Van Trics died due to an emergency appendicitis operation. It was impossible to fill the place of a sure all conference performer.

The third game was fought for from the home field on a cold night against the Shelbyville Panthers. The boys had their minds made up to win for Harry, but the odds were against them. Just before game time Muley Vaughn, ace of the back-field, developed a serious cold and was unable to make the trip. Capt. Eakle's injured knee had been giving him trouble and Lentz could play only half time. Pulliam had to divide his time between the line and the backfield, since Harry's death. The larger Shelbyville team scored first on a long pass and kicked the extra point. Maroa chose to receive and on the next play behind fine interference, Eakle ran the ball back 80 yards for a touchdown. A plunge was made to tie the score. In the last three minutes there was a fumble made on a bad pass from center as Maroa was going to punt on 4th down from its own ten yd.



line. Shelbyville recovered and pushed it over for their second score. The boys had played courageously, the odds were numerous, but the result of so much adverse luck took its toll when the powerful Lovington team showed up for the next conference game on the local field. Lovington's big team started with a rush and scored on eight plays. Coach England substituted frequently. Lovington was held scoreless in the second quarter. The Lovington backs, Dinger and Johnson, scored several times to make it 32-0 when the final gun sounded. Marion Vaughn scored one on a 50 yard quick opening play but was called back when his line was off-side.

The young Maroa team was determined to not let Maroa's record of not losing a home coming game be marred. There was a large crowd, a colorful pep meeting, a parade and a fighting group of boys to out play Bethany and to win, 7-0, on a last quarter pass from Eakle to M. Vaughn on Bethany's 25 yard line.

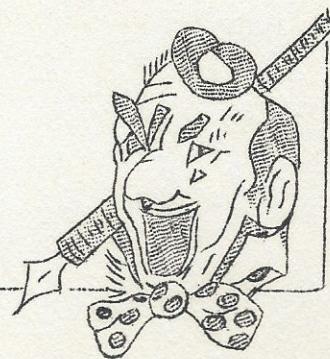
The next battle was fought against Empire Twp. High at LeRoy. Despite the tremendous size and experience of the LeRoy team who had 13 seniors on its squad, Maroa was barely defeated, 13-7. The boys vow they'll get even for this defeat on the homecoming game next year. Capt. Eakle missed this game due the injury in his knee.

The last game of the year was played against the championship Assumption eleven on Maroa field. It was cold and very windy. With the aid of the wind and some hard running backs Assumption scored 20 points on the first half. The Maroa boys, not down-hearted, held them scoreless and carried the fight in the second half.

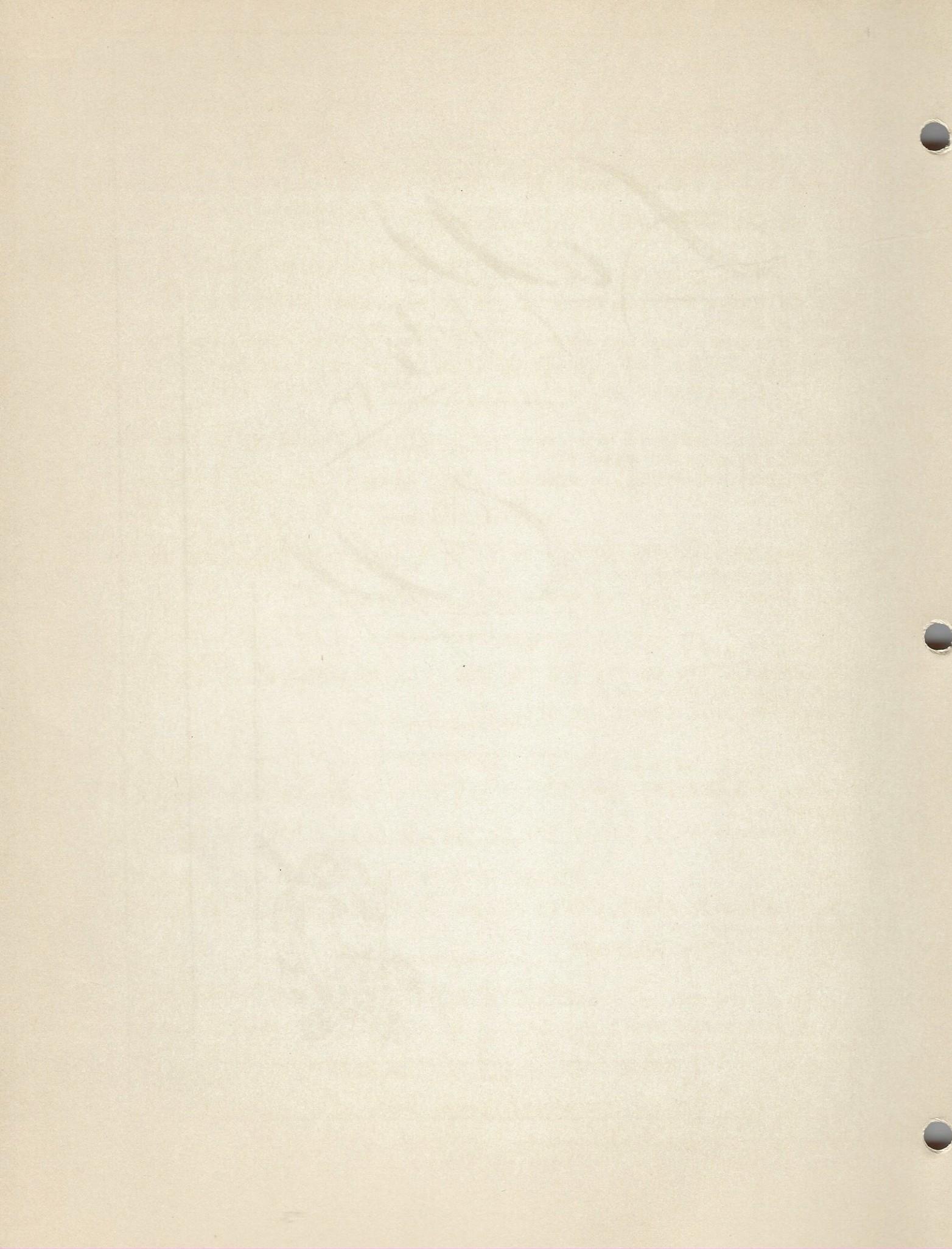
The prospects for the next year's team are fairly bright. The boys made a good start by electing Bob Rainey captain. The boys upon whom Coach England is counting heavily to carry the load next year are line men, Captain Rainey, McGuire, Schultz, Montgomery, L. Garren, D. Vaughn, Andes, B. Hashburn. Backs are--M. Vaughn, C. Lentz, F. Crutcher, E. Braden, B. N. Hoffman. W. Bennett. Several other boys who were out last year along with new comers who will come out for the first time should carry Maroa's colors flying.

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JOKES

J. L. Hoffman--"Do you think you could be happy with 5,000 a year?"
B. J. Reiter--"What, dollars or men?"

Miss Schulze--"Give me a ticket to Springfield."
Ticket Agent--"Which one? Ohio, Illinois, Massachusetts, Missouri,
or Kentucky?"
Miss Schulze--"Which is the cheapest?"

Miss Sutton--"Now you want to get married just as much as the average girl."

Nigel Osborn--"No, the average girl gets married three or four times and I only want to get married once."

Martha Foulke--"Have you ever had something trembling on your lips and been unable to speak?"

Betty Lienhart--"Yes, a pair of other lips."

Bob Reed--"Do you think the radio will ever take the place of the motion picture theater?"

Wayne Bennett--"No, you can't neck a radio."

Don Adkins--"I'm one of the big guns at the office."

Bob Pollard--"How come"

Don--"I've been fired six times."

Jack Hughes--"Every time I kiss you thrills run up and down my spine."

Mary Vorce--"Well, don't try to wear it out in one night."

Miss Ulmer--"What's the most common impediment in the speech of American people?"

Mr. Keyes--"Chewing gum!"

Evelyn Bricker--"Don't you like this cake mother baked? She really put her heart into it."

Keith Brett--"I thought it tasted kind of hard."

Bobby N. Hoffman--"All men are born free and equal."
Keith Dial--"But some of them get married."

Charles Lentz--"I'll never ask another woman to marry me as long as I live."

Bill Schultz--"Refused again?"

Charles--"No, accepted."

DeNial Vaughn--"I'm glad it's good form not to wear a watch with a dress suit."

Pete Haliski--"Why?"

DeNial--"Because I never have my watch and my dress suit at the same time."

Dorothy Bowden--"That actor next door is my idea of a real man."

Gene Andes--"Yes, but don't ever let me catch you entertaining that idea!"

Red Smith--"The good die young."

Junior Smith--"Ha, ha, ha----ho, ho, ho!"

Red--"What are you laughing about?"

Junior--"I'm just thinking how wrinkled and funny you'll look when you're a hundred and fifty!"

Coach England--"This theme surely is poor. Where did you get your subject matter?"

George Owens--"From your lectures."

Charles R. McGuire--"A fellow just told me I looked like you."

Muley Vaughn--"Where is he? I'd like to knock his block off."

Charles R.--"I killed him."

Sam Pulliam--"I can hardly hold my eyes open."

Harriett Morgan--"How do you expect to with your hands in your pockets?"

Daniel McCormick--"You must have been very young when you started to shave."

Calvin Correll--"Yes, I was just a little shaver."

Jimmy Eakle--"Boss can I have the afternoon off? I wanna find my wife a job."

Boss--"Will you be back?"

Jimmy--"Not if I find the job."

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Lyle Agee--"I sure am, mister, but what's a man goin' to do when he ain't got the price of a cigar?"

Dorothy Braden--"A burglar broke into our room and stole everything but the soap."

Norma Burkes--"The dirty crook!"

Frances Agee--"My father knew a month before his death when he would die."

Helen J. Thomas--"Who told him?"

Frances--"The judge."

Harold H.--"Yes, I'm an actor. I played in the 'Covered Wagon'".

Art Hoffman--"Why, I didn't see you."

Harold--"Oh, I was inside the wagon."

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